Housing First & Tiny Homes

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Locating the Conversation

The Space Between

Deep Well Being

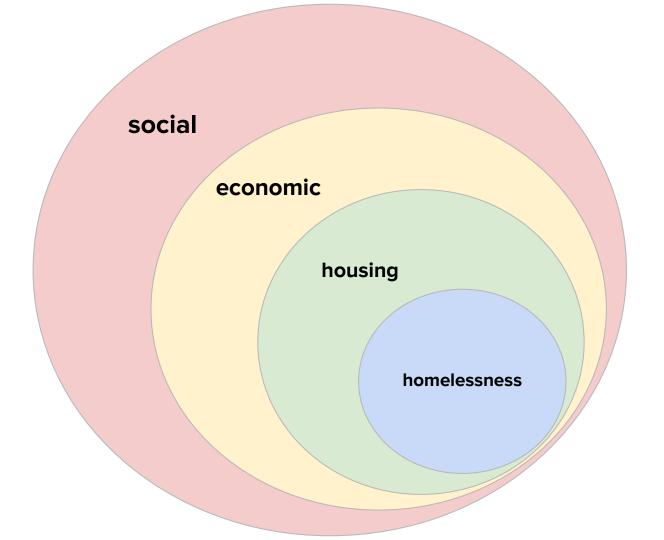
Crisis

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7.2 million

national # of affordable units short for 30% AMI and below renters

A Crisis Within Crises

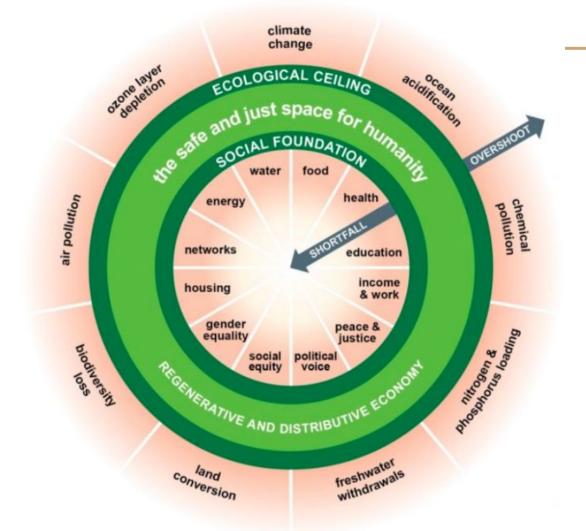


Integrating Upstream Solutions with Provision for Immediate Needs

Deep Wellbeing

Housing *is* first, but it is not our **end**.

Macro



Individual





THESIS

- tiny home villages provide a strategy for:
- 1) scaling housing through a quickly deployable, attainably priced method and
 - 2) addressing the larger drivers of our homelessness crisis

Elements of a Tiny Home Village

TINY HOMES - Individual homes of 400 square feet or less

VILLAGE MEETING - Residents meet as a community at least once a month

COMMON BUILDING(S) - Shared facilities and resources to supplement tiny homes

COMMUNITY AGREEMENT - A basic code of conduct that all residents agree to abide by

NON-PROFIT SPONSOR -An entity that provides ongoing administration, oversight, and support

SELF-GOVERNANCE - Involvement of residents in decision making and management

Continuum of Housing Niche

- > Chronically Homeless Individuals, Couples, & Small Families; Students; Workforce
- Non-Extreme Mental Health & Addiction Conditions
- Stabilizing Transitional to Permanent Housing



Opportunity Village

Eugene, OR



Nickelsville

Seattle



Community First! Village

Austin

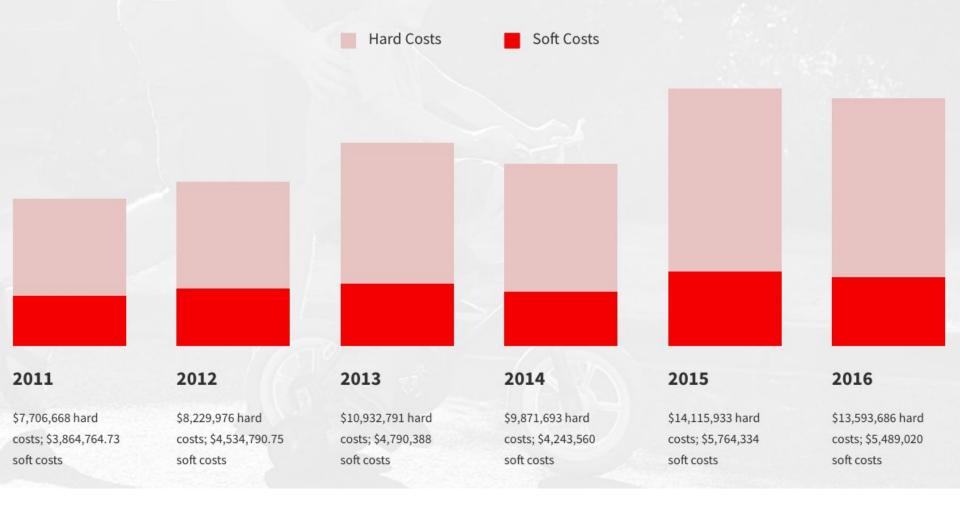


Beloved Community Village

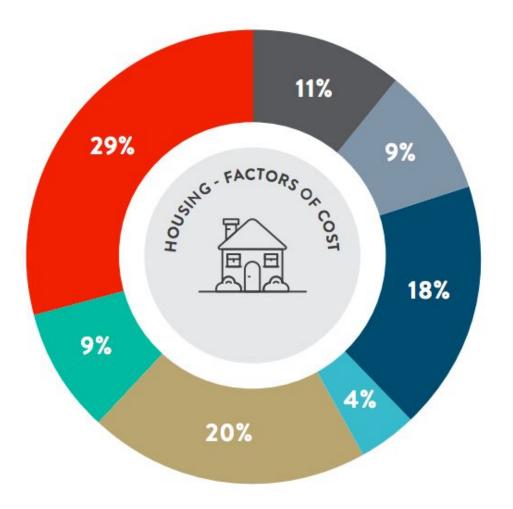
Denver, CO

Cost Community Control

Cost



source: BBC Research, Understanding Rising Costs in Affordable Housing: CHFA



- Land
- Regulatory
- Materials Base
- Materials Finish
- Labor
- Other
- Profit

Source: Analyst calculation rounded from National Association of Homebuilders 2015 Cost Study For Single-Family Homes

110,000

Units Built with LIHTC Projects Between 1995 and 2015

\$250,000

Average Cost Per Unit for New Affordable Housing in Denver

Tiny Home Construction Costs

- \$2,000 \$25,000 / unit
- Heavy use of In-Kind Labor & Material

Community



"In the shelter of community, homeless people flourish."

- Denver Homeless Out Loud









Dr. Grace Kim, sociologist

Meals Eaten

Communitas = Together

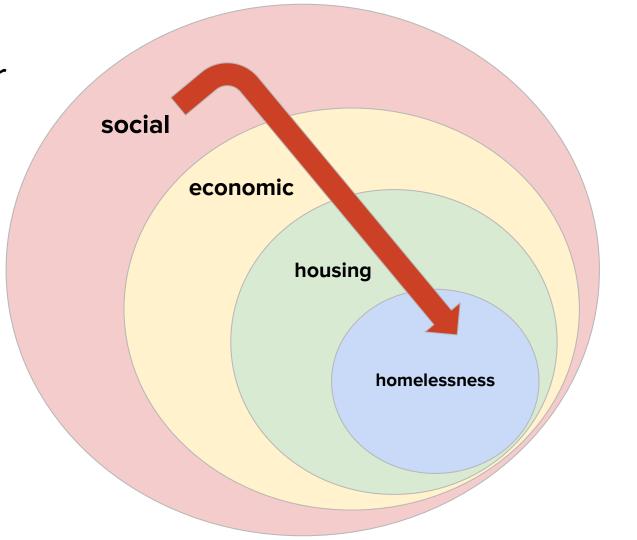
Per Week

Control

Traditional

- Outside Property Management
- Supportive Services
- Individual Autonomy
- Some Community Activities

Inequitable Power Distribution





Self Governance

Beloved Community Village

Village Council / Advisory Council Colorado Village Collaborative

Board | Staff

St. Andrew's Village

Village Council / Advisory Council

Elements of Self-Governance

- Leadership structures
 - → Board Representation
- Discipline & Conflict Resolution
- Chores, Property Management

- Managing Village Tours, Donations
- Media & Comms Support
- > Fundraising
- > Paid internal staff

Self-Governance as Integrative Empowerment Strategy



Deep Wellbeing & Movement Building

A CoC's Perspective

Trig Bundgaard

DISCUSSION

Q&A

Discuss With Those Around You

- > What strengths and weaknesses do you see in this model?
- How does this discussion on tiny home villages relate to your context or city?
- > What questions are coming up for you?

Questions for the Panel

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